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<u>VIA EMAIL ONLY</u>

Re: Your letter of March 27, 2019

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe:

The Sheriff's Department is in receipt of your request dated March 27, 2019 seeking the following record pursuant to the California Public Records Act.

A spreadsheet that includes all use of force incidents reported by San Diego County Sheriff's Deputies in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. This should include, at minimum, the date and time of each incident, incident number, type of force used, number of and demographics and mental illness/disability status of people force was used on, resistance/threat level and any weapons the subject(s) were armed with at the time, number and demographics and beat of officers who used force.

The record you seek is a compilation of information taken directly from records of law enforcement investigations. Such information and records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 6254(f). *Haynie v. Superior Court* (2001) 26 Cal. 4th 1063, 1071-72.

However, records pertaining to *some* uses of force that fall into specific categories must be made public, pursuant to legislation that went into effect at the beginning of this year. (Senate Bill 1421). You may wish to review SB 1421 and determine whether you would like to request records from the categories of records that are now subject to public release and/or inspection.

You may find the text of SB 1421 here: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1421.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM D. GORE, Sheriff

Sanford A. Toyen, Legal Advisor

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